

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE** Isaiah 11:6-9
 The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall feed; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The sucking child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

The peace of the Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *I Will Joyfully Sing* Mary McDonald
 Sanctuary Choir
*I will joyfully sing in the morning; I will joyfully sing all the day.
 I will sing praises to Thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength of my day.
 I will sing praises to Thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength of my day.
 I will sing! I will sing! I will sing of praises, His goodness to me. I will sing!*

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

All the children are invited to come forward for the Word for Children. Afterward, children kindergarten and younger may go to children's activities downstairs.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS Genesis 7:1-5, 9:8-13
 Romans 8:18-24a

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.
All Dogs Go to Heaven?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN 267 ROYAL OAK
All Things Bright and Beautiful

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
A Declaration of Faith X.2
All things will be renewed in Christ.
In Christ God gave us a glimpse of the new creation God has already begun and will surely finish.

We do not know when the final day will come. In our time we see only broken and scattered signs that the renewal of all things is under way.
We do not yet see the end of cruelty and suffering in the world, the church, or our own lives.
But we see Jesus as Lord.
As he stands at the center of our history, we are confident he will stand at its end.
He will judge all people and nations.
Evil will be condemned and rooted out of God's good creation.
There will be no more tears or pain.
All things will be made new.
The fellowship of human beings with God and each other will be perfected.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 16 in front of hymnal

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *A New Creation:*
Veni, Creator Spiritus David Cherwien

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ASH GROVE
Let all things now living a song of Thanks-giving to God our Creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us, till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into Light.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Gracious God, move in our hearts that our eyes may be opened to the wonder and beauty of your good creation. Make us true stewards of this earth and all its creatures, until Christ comes again to reconcile all things through his grace and power; for we pray in his precious name. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 455 LAST UNS ERFREUEN
All Creatures of Our God and King
 (stanzas 1 and 6)

* CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

* CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE Gordon Young
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

WORSHIP NOTES

* Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry, is assisting with worship today.
 * Please stand if you are able.
 * Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to worship God. Remember to **turn off cell phones** during the service.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

<p>† Brennan Simkins – 8 year old cousin of Hay family – second bone marrow transplant Wednesday January 27 at St. Jude Hospital</p> <p>† John Roark—hip replacement</p> <p>† Beth Vining—broken foot</p> <p>† Janet Burtt—home after surgery</p> <p>† Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant</p> <p>† Jonathan Paschal - chemotherapy</p> <p>Covington Square</p> <p>† Rita Harrell and</p> <p>† Joy Knight</p> <p>Nursing Homes:</p> <p>† Maymenell Bohanan – Riverside</p> <p>† Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor</p>	<p>† Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers</p> <p>† Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center</p> <p>† Hal Cline</p> <p>† Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville</p> <p>Military:</p> <p>† David and Savannah Rickert</p> <p>† Mike Laib</p>
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We extend our sympathy and prayers for Doris Mote in the death of husband, Leslie.

The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Linda Boyd.

Year End statements of giving for all who pledged and gave to the church during 2009 are ready to be picked up. They are in the narthex in alphabetical order. Taking yours with you saves on postage and makes us good stewards of your gifts. Thanks for your generosity.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 24

9:30 Children's Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service
 Congregational Meeting
 5:00 Young Adult Fellowship
 6:00 Youth Connection

Tuesday, January 26

4:00 Exercise Class

Wednesday, January 27

4:00 Adventure Club
 6:00 Mid-Week Feast
 6:30 Handbell Choir
 6:45 Study Group
 7:15 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, January 28

7:15 Youth Prayer Breakfast
 10:30 Ambassador Choir
 11:30 Prayer Group

Sunday, January 31

9:30 Children's Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service

Activities in the Life of the Church

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting at the conclusion of the morning worship service today, January 24, for the purpose of hearing the budget and reviewing the terms of the call to the minister.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP Bring your favorite pot of chili or soup to share and join us for a night of fellowship and games Sunday, January 24, 5 - 7pm. Nursery will be provided. For further information contact Billy or Theodosia Wade.

An Exercise Class is held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. All adults are invited to participate.

Mid-Week Feast Join us for the Mid-Week Feast at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin Fellowship Hall. The menu is: ham, chicken, green beans, candied yams. Bring a dessert to share and join us for dinner and fellowship. Remember—make your reservation on the form in the pew rack. You may also call the church office or register from the website.

DVD LECTURE SERIES The Mid-Week DVD Lecture

1. Series, "The History of Christian Theology," taught by Dr. Philip Cary, takes place at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday evenings after the Mid-Week Feast. Participants enjoy the lectures and the lively discussions afterward. This week's lecture is: "Calvin and Reformed Theology."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED If you are interest in helping gather the worship registers after church on Sunday, please contact Donna Weesner at 770-784-2973 or e-mail her at weesner.donna@newton.k12.ga.us. Your name will be put on a rotating list and you will be advised of the Sundays that you can help out.

WELCOME TO

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF COVINGTON

If you would like information about membership or the programs, mission, and fellowship of the church, speak to one of the pastors as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321.

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DUO-ORGAN CONCERT BY BECKY AND ALICE

Becky Ramsey and Alice Walker will present a pipe organ concert in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church of Covington on Sunday, January 31, at 3:00 PM. Admission to the concert is free. The program is sponsored by the Arts Association in Newton County, and free-will donations will be accepted for the Young Artists Scholarship Fund.

Music for two performers on one pipe organ will be featured, as well as selections for piano and organ. The program will be audience-friendly, so plan to bring your family. A reception in the church Fellowship Hall will follow the program.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest

Members in the

Nursery:

Laib Family

Ann Bouchillon

Next week:

Stillerman Family

Loucy/Sam Hay Family

Hosts:

Lynn and Jonathan Miller

Ushers:

The Dobbs Family, Chair

Roger and Tootles Tingler

Sound System:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2010

Stephanie Fortson

Ruth McDaniel

Jonathan Miller

Pam Stillerman

Gene Wallace

Class of 2011

Jean Blair

Carol Dunbar

Rick Gunter

Jay Lanners

Donna Weesner

Class of 2012

Bernice Bailey

Rebecca Bates

Mac Cranford

Judy Hooten

Warren Liem

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William B. Wade, Jr.

Pastor

Louly Fowler Hay

Parish Associate

Dan Walden

Director of Youth

Peni Haug

Secretary-Treasurer

Alan Bunn

Music Director

Alice Walker

CAGO, AAGO

Organist/Ambassador Choir

Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato

Nursery

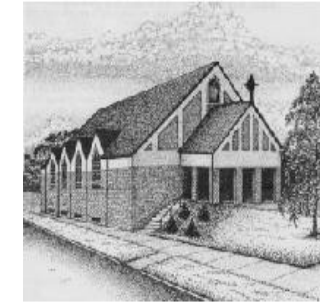
Deana Graham

Director of the

Early Learning Center

Elizabeth Daniell

Student Intern



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

January 24, 2010

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *In Peace Your Sheep May Graze* J. S. BACH

INTROIT *God of the Sparrow* ROEDER
 Sanctuary Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 148:1-2, 7, 10-13

Praise the Lord!

**Praise the Lord from the heavens,
 praise the Lord in the heights!**

Praise God, all you angels,
 praise God, all you host!

**Praise the Lord from the earth,
 you sea monsters and all the deep,
 beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds,
 kings of the earth and all peoples,
 princes and all rulers of the earth,
 young men and women together,
 old men and children!**

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for God's name alone is exalted; God's glory is above earth and heaven!

* HYMN 483 MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

from The Blessing of the Pets

Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters...May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen.